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Acclimating to A New Culture

The Iceberg Model of Culture

Surface Culture - 10%
• Easily observable
• Includes common aspects of culture such as festivals, food, fashion, and language.

Deep Culture - 90%
• Difficult to observe
• Includes displays of emotion & communication, concepts of modesty, perceptions of religion, race, and much more.

The best way to adapt to a new culture is to be curious, ask questions, and listen to learn & understand!
Faculty Information Packets

• You can find your Pre-Departure packet on the Faculty Portal under “Program Information”

Faculty Portal

• The Faculty Portal will house all of your important program information
• Check the Portal frequently - You will receive important program updates, deadlines, and checklist tasks to complete on your dashboard
Okay to Buy Airline Ticket

Notification Will Include:

• Your approved travel dates
• Airfare purchase directions
• CONCUR directions

Upload the following to the Faculty Portal:

• Passport Copy
• Flight Itinerary
• Local Address (independent housing only)
• Emergency Contact Info
Travel Reimbursement

• Upload your receipts to your file in FSU’s CONCUR Travel System
  • We will not accept receipts via email or in person
  • Do not create a Travel Request or Travel Report, IP will do that for you
• Refer to your OK to Buy Airline Ticket notification for detailed instructions

Before You Leave
• Email IP-Submittravel@fsu.edu to let us know that you have booked your flight reservation and comparison receipt (if applicable) & email receipt.

After You Return
• Email IP-Submittravel@fsu.edu to let us know that you have uploaded your shipping/luggage and taxi receipts to CONCUR.
Travel Logistics

- Entry Requirements
- Airport Transportation
- Housing
- Cell Phone Policy
- Study Center-organized excursions & activities
  - Guest policy
  - Guest insurance – deadline to enroll
- Testing Requirements
  - Arrival
  - Departure
COVID-19 Information

- **“Super” Green Pass**
  - Required to travel to **Orange Zones** in Italy and enter many public spaces such as conventions/conferences, theatres, public transportation, and restaurants.
  - Does NOT expire if you have received your Booster (3rd dose)
  - The previous 6-month expiration of 3rd dose no longer applies.

- **Face Masks**
  - Currently, wearing a mask is mandatory for indoors in Italy
  - **FFP2 masks** (Similar to KN95 masks) are required when traveling on public transportation

- **Positive Test**
  - If you or a student tests positive, you must isolate for **7 full days** to get tested at a pharmacy.
Class Preparation

- COVID-19 Policies & Resources for Faculty
- Plan class activities in advance, but be flexible
  - Read the students, weather, changes in site hours, etc.
- Be creative with student engagement!
- Utilize Canvas to post reminders about upcoming class sessions
  - Meeting place for excursion, appropriate attire for site visit, bring water for excursion
- Review Google Maps and helpful apps in your city
- Program Assistant’s main role is to support the students. They are only able to support your academic requests.
FSU Libraries

- Open education resources (OERs) are available to freely use, share, and customize to your course(s)
- OERs save study abroad students money and packing space
- Align with university strategic goals tied to student success
- Questions? Contact Lindsey Wharton lwharton@fsu.edu
Course Info & Contact Hours

- Canvas access
- Course engagement/activities
  - Please complete your Museum / Field Trip Reservation Form by **March 21st**
- Guest Speakers
  - Please notify Vanessa at least **1 week in advance** if possible
  - Budget: 230€
- Contact hours
  - Classroom time & site visits
Academic Reminders

• Please upload your Syllabi to the Faculty Portal by end of first week of classes

• Please complete the Textbook Information Qualtrics located in the portal by March 18, 2022
  • Once course registration opens, textbook information cannot be changed

• Academic Problem-Solving Flowchart
Evaluations

- Course Evaluations through FSU
- Program Evaluations through IP
- IP Faculty survey at end of program
Student Health & Wellness

• Creating a foundation for success
• Managing stress of experience
• Changes in medication
• Being mindful of external factors
  • Social dynamics of the students
  • Cultural barriers (i.e. Language)
Student Safety & Security

- Set high group expectations
  - Students should be looking out for one another!
- Always keep Study Center emergency contact information with you
- Practice proper incident reporting
  - Title IX
  - Judicial issues
- Trust your instincts

Resources:

- Study Center Staff
- IP Tallahassee Staff
- Local Counseling Resources
- FSU Victim’s Advocate Program
- CISI
CISI Insurance

- Resources
  - Card
  - Claim forms
  - Portal Access
- Know the policy
- COVID-19 related coverage
- Trip Delay Benefit
Travel Form

- Can be accessed through the IP website
- Independent Travel in & around Italy
  - Local restrictions
- Mandatory for all students to complete
- Important for Faculty to complete as well
  - This information will only be used to contact you in the case of an emergency
Questions?
We’re here to get you there.